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## Botetourt County, Virginia Office of the County Administrator

July 27, 2021

Dr. Tamarah Holmes, Ph.D.
Director, Office of Broadband
Department of Housing and Community Development
600 East Main Street, Ste. 300
Richmond, VA 23219

Re: VATI Application Notice with the Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative (CBEC)

Dear Dr. Holmes:

I am providing this VATI Application Notice to notify the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development that Botetourt County and the Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative may submit an application for the FY2022 Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI). In addition, we are coordinating VATI proposals regionally among the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority, Roanoke County, Franklin County, Craig County, and several private providers.

Botetourt County and CBEC intend to submit an application to achieve universal coverage of broadband services to the remainder of the unserved residences and businesses in Botetourt County, specifically in the western section of Botetourt County in unserved areas adjacent to CBEC's existing broadband network.

Mr. Ken McFadyen, Director of Economic Development, will be our main point of contact for the purposes of the application process and can be reached at: 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, VA 24083; 540-580-1232 (cell); kmcfadyen@botetourtva.gov (e-mail).

The County of Botetourt and CBEC understand that this VATI Application Notice is required in order to submit an application for the 2022 Virginia Telecommunication Initiative and that this notice is not binding on the entity represented by the undersigned, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely.

Gary Larrowe

Botetourt County Administrator

CC:

Mr. Jeff Ahearn, CBEC

Mr. Frank Smith, Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority Mr. Ken McFadyen, Director of Economic Development